

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL SESSION
HIGHLAND CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, JUNE 25, 2012**

Mayor Michaelis called the Special Session to order at 6:00pm. The special meeting having been properly noticed according to the attached certifications.

In attendance: Council members Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides, City Manager Latham, City Attorney Bruckert, Public Works Director Gillespie, Police Chief Bell, City Staff Member Tracey Robinson, Deputy City Clerk Hediger and City Clerk Bellm.

PUBLIC FORUM

Citizens' Requests and Comments:

None presented.

Staff Reports:

None presented.

OLD BUSINESS

Award Bid #P-03-12 for Purchase of Two Police Patrol Vehicles – Councilman Bardill made a motion to award Bid #P-03-12 for Purchase of two police patrol vehicles to Wright Automotive, of Hillsboro, Illinois in the amount of \$52,402.40 as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Councilman Schwarz asked if we went back to Tri-Ford. City Manager Latham explained our purchase policy does not state what State Law states. The policy language is being revised accordingly. Going back to Tri-Ford would have been against statute. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Award Bid #PW-05-12 for the Broadway Widening and Resurfacing Project – Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to Award Bid #PW-05-12 for the Broadway Widening and Resurfacing Project to The Kilian Corporation, of Mascoutah, Illinois in the amount of \$484,249.65 as attached; seconded by Councilman Bardill. Mayor Michaelis asked how many bids we received on this. Director Gillespie reported we received two bids; nine bid packets taken out. Councilman Schwarz asked if the time constraints had any bearing on that. Director Gillespie acknowledged that could be a possibility. He added that when he spoke with the second lowest bidder he asked if the schedule factored in to their bid; they indicated it did not. City Manager Latham pointed out the low bid is about 20% less than the engineers' estimated cost. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #12-89/ORDINANCE Amending 2012-2013 Budget to Add Line Item for Transfer of \$70,000 From the General Fund to the Industrial Development Commission - Councilman Bardill made a motion to approve Bill #12-89/Ordinance #2537 amending 2012-2013 Budget to add line item for transfer of \$70,000 from the General Fund to the Industrial Development Commission as attached; seconded by Councilwoman Bellm. Councilman Schwarz inquired what exactly we are doing. What is the purpose of giving these funds to Industrial Development Commission (IDC)? City Manager Latham explained under state statute the IDC could loan money to start-up businesses. We as a council do not have that ability. You are giving the authority to the IDC to give this money to start-up businesses. Councilman Schwarz who is the IDC? Deputy City Clerk Lana Hediger reported Darell Bellm is the chairperson; other members are Rick Frey, Jon Greve, Ryan Goodwin, and Eric Rehkemper. Councilman Schwarz asked could these loans have interest rates. City Manager Latham replied yes, it could. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Bill #12-90/RESOLUTION Authorizing and Directing Transfer of Funds to Highland Industrial Development Commission - Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to approve Bill #12-90/Resolution #12-06-2073 authorizing and directing transfer of funds to Highland Industrial Development Commission as attached; seconded by Councilman Bardill. Roll Call Vote: Schwarz, Bardill, Bellm and Nicolaides voted aye, none nay. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Bellm made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilman Bardill. All council members voted aye, none nay. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 6:08pm.

Joseph R. Michaelis, Mayor

Barbara Bellm, City Clerk